Amendments to the Claims:

1) (currently amended): A method of watermarking a file which is in a page description language (PDL) comprising: comprising,

interpreting said PDL file and generating a first set of raster images,

watermarking each of said first set of raster images individually,

combining the watermarked raster images into a second PDL file,

interpreting said second file using an [[a]] interpreter to generate a second set of raster images, and

printing said second set of raster images.

2) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 1 wherein said PDL comprises [[is]] PostScript.

3) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 1 wherein a mask is used to determine which areas of said first set of raster images are watermarked.

4) [[3)]] (currently amended): A system for watermarking a file which is in a page description language (PDL) comprising: comprising,

an interpreter for interpreting said file and for generating a first set of raster images,

a watermarking program for watermarking each of said first set of raster images individually,

a compiler for combining said watermarked raster images into a second PDL file,

an interpreter for interpreting said second PDL file and generating a second set of raster images, and

printing said second set of raster images.

5) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 4 wherein said PDL comprises is PostScript.

6) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 4 ~~where~~ wherein a mask is used to determine which areas of said <u>first set of</u> raster images are watermarked.

7) (currently amended): A method of watermarking a file which is in a page description language (PDL) <u>comprising:</u> ~~comprising,~~
interpreting said PDL file<u>,</u> ~~and~~
generating a set of raster images,
watermarking each of said raster images individually, <u>and</u>
printing said raster images.

8) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 7 wherein said PDL <u>comprises</u> [[is]] PostScript.

9) (original): The method recited in claim 7 wherein a mask is used to determine which areas of said raster images are watermarked.

10) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 1 wher<u>ein each of</u> said <u>interpreting comprises a</u> ~~interpeters are the~~ Ghostscript interpreter.

11) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 4 wher<u>ein</u> said interpreters <u>comprise a</u> ~~are the~~ Ghostscript interpreter

12) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 7 wher<u>ein</u> said <u>interpreting comprises a</u> ~~interpreters are the~~ Ghostscript interpreter

13) (currently amended): A system for watermarking a file which is <u>represented</u> in a page description language (PDL)<u>, said method comprising:</u> ~~comprising,~~

an interpreter for interpreting said PDL file and generating a plurality of raster images,

a watermarking program for watermarking each of said raster images individually and,

a printer for printing said raster images.

14) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 13 wherein said PDL [[is]] <u>comprises</u> PostScript.

15) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 13 ~~where~~ wherein a mask is used to determine which areas of said raster images are watermarked.

16) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 13 wherein said interpreter <u>comprises a</u> ~~is the~~ Ghostscript interpreter.

17) (currently amended): The method in claim 1 wherein said <u>first</u> set comprises four raster images.